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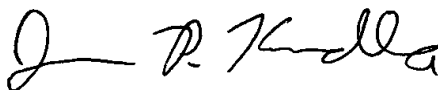
Claims 22-25 were deleted herein without disclaimer or prejudice to Applicant's right to pursue claims to the subject matter thereof by way of one or more continuing applications. New claims 26-34 were added, and claims 5-10, 14 and 16-19 were amended. No new matter is introduced by any of the amendments herein, and entry thereof is requested.

Claims 1-21 and 26-34 are now pending in this application. Examination of the application, as amended, is requested.

If the Examiner believes that a conference would be of value in expediting the prosecution of this application, he is cordially invited to telephone the undersigned counsel at the number set out below.

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APPENDIX A – VERSION WITH MARKINGS
TO SHOW CHANGES (SPECIFICATION)

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VERSION WITH MARKINGS
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On page 1, line 2, after the title please insert the following:

CROSS REFERENCE TO RELATED APPLICATIONS

This patent application claims priority under 35 U.S.C. § 365 from International Application Serial No. PCT/1B00/00883, filed June 29, 2000, which claims priority from United Kingdom Application Serial No. 9915805.6, filed June 29, 1999, which are herein incorporated by reference.

BACKGROUND OF THE INVENTION

On page 1, line 22, please insert the following section heading:

SUMMARY OF THE INVENTION

On page 4, please amend the paragraph beginning at line 24 as follows:

The paperboard strip can include one or more combustion [promoters]promoters. The [promotor]promoter can be inherently combustible material, especially an organic material, for example a charcoal powder. The [promotor]promoter might promote combustion in other ways, such as for example in the case of an oxidizing agent which can release of oxygen. An example of such an oxidizing agent is potassium nitrate. The charcoal powder or other combustion [promotor]promoter is preferably present in the paperboard in an amount from about 0.25 to 10% by weight of the dry paperboard strip, more preferably from 0.5 to about 5%, for example from about 1 to about 2%.

On page 5, please amend the paragraph beginning at line 4 as follows:

The paperboard strip can include a dye, preferably an organic dye. The dye can function as a combustion [promotor]promoter as well as affecting the visual appearance of the strip. The

dye can preferably comprise 0.01% to 10% more preferably 0.5% to 2% by weight of the dry paperboard strip. Addition of the dye makes the combustion of the paperboard strip resistant to being extinguished by external factors such as a breeze. It also makes combustion insensitive to variations in internal properties of the paperboard strip.

On page 5, please amend the paragraph beginning at line 14 as follows:

The dye or other combustion [promotor]promoter should preferably be distributed uniformly throughout the volume of the paperboard strip. The distribution of the dye has an impact on the combustion properties of the paperboard.

On page 8, line 33, please insert the following section heading:

BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF THE DRAWINGS

On page 9, line 22, please insert the following section heading:

DETAILED DESCRIPTION OF THE PREFERRED EMBODIMENT(S)

On page 11, please replace line 3 with the following entry:

A typical composition of the furnish is[:] shown in table 1.

On page 11, line 4, please insert the following entry:

TABLE 1

On page 14, please replace line 17 with the following entry:

Shown in figure [4]5 is a graph of the inverted burn rate (burn rate⁻¹) vs paperboard

After the claims section, ending on page 19, please insert the following abstract on a new page 20:

ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE

A substance delivery device includes a combustible paperboard strip and at least one substance toxic to insects and a perfume. The delivery device can take the form of a coil and includes a flexible backing sheet for supporting the combustible paperboard strip. The flexible backing sheet is not capable of combustion. Additionally, the material of the paperboard strip can include a combustion promoter.

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APPENDIX B – VERSION WITH MARKINGS

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5. (Amended) A delivery device as claimed in [any one of] claim[s] 1 [to 4], in which the material of the paperboard strip includes a combustion [promotor]promoter.
6. (Amended) A delivery device as claimed in claim 5, in which the combustion [promotor]promoter is distributed substantially uniformly throughout the paperboard strip.
7. (Amended) A delivery device as claimed in [any one of] claim[s] 1 [to 6], in which the combustion [promotor]promoter comprises charcoal powder, the charcoal powder [preferably] being present in the paperboard about 1 to 10% by weight of the dry paperboard.
8. (Amended) A delivery device as claimed in [any one of] claim[s] 1 [to 7], in which the paperboard strip has a substantially rectangular cross section, the thickness of the strip [preferably] being at least about 0.2 mm[, more preferably at least 0.6mm; preferably] and not more than about 1.9 mm[, more preferably not more than 1.8 mm].
9. (Amended) A delivery device as claimed in claim 8, in which the width of the strip is at least about 2 mm[, preferably at least 5 mm; preferably] and not being more than about 6 mm.
10. (Amended) A delivery device as claimed in [any one of] claim[s] 1 [to 9], in which the density of the paperboard strip is at least about 400 kg.m⁻³[, preferably at least 550 kg.m⁻³; preferably] and not more than about 1000 kg.m⁻³[, more preferably not more than 850 kg.m⁻³, more preferably not more than 750 kg.m⁻³, more preferably not more than 650 kg.m⁻³].

14. (Amended) A method as claimed in [any of] claim[s] 11 [to 13], which includes the step of attaching the paperboard to a flexible backing sheet.
16. (Amended) A method as claimed in [any one of] claim[s] 11 [to 15], in which the furnish comprises waste paper[, preferably at least one of kraft pulp or newspaper waste].
17. (Amended) A method as claimed in [any one of] claim[s] 11 [to 16], in which the furnish comprises wood free [fibres, preferably at least one of bagasse, straw or bamboo]fibers.
18. (Amended) A method as claimed in [any one of] claim[s] 11 [to 17], which [includes]further comprises the step of adding a combustion promoter to the fluid suspension.
19. (Amended) A method as claimed in [any one of] claim[s] 11 [to 18], [in which]wherein the combustion [promotor]promoter comprises [at least one of a] charcoal[and an organic dye].
26. (New) A delivery device as claimed in claim 1, in which the paperboard strip has a substantially rectangular cross section, the thickness of the strip being at least about 0.6 mm and not more than about 1.8 mm.
27. (New) A delivery device as claimed in claim 1, in which the width of the strip is at least about 5 mm and not more than about 6 mm.
28. (New) A delivery device as claimed in claim 1, in which the density of the paperboard strip is at least about 550 kg.m⁻³ and not more than about 650 kg.m⁻³.
29. (New) A method as claimed in claim 16 wherein the waste paper is comprised of kraft pulp.

30. (New) A method as claimed in claim 16 wherein the waste paper is comprised of newspaper waste.

31. (New) A method as claimed in claim 17 wherein the wood free fibers are comprised of bagasse.

32. (New) A method as claimed in claim 17 wherein the wood free fibers are comprised of straw.

33. (New) A method as claimed in claim 17 wherein the wood free fibers are comprised of bamboo.

34. (New) A method as claimed in claim 11, in which the combustion promoter is comprised of an organic dye.

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